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Summary

The level-0 Daedalus TMS imagery, along with the other remotely sensed images, was collected to provide spatially extensive information about radiant energy over the primary BOREAS study areas. This information includes detailed land cover and biophysical parameter maps such as fPAR and LAI. Two flights of the Daedalus TMS instrument were made onboard the ER-2 aircraft on 16-Sep-1994 and 17-Sep-1994.

Note that the level-0 Daedalus TMS data are not contained on the BOREAS CD-ROM set. An inventory listing file is supplied on the CD-ROM to inform users of the data that were collected. See Section 15 for information about how to acquire actual level-0 Daedalus TMS images.

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1. Data Set Overview

1.1 Data Set Identification

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1.2 Data Set Introduction

The BOReal Ecosystem-Atmosphere Study (BOREAS) Staff Science effort covered those activities that were BOREAS community-level activities or required uniform data collection procedures across sites and time. These activities included the acquisition, processing, and archiving of 12-band Daedalus Thematic Mapper Simulator (Daedalus TMS) image data collected on the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA's) ER-2 aircraft.

1.3 Objective/Purpose

For BOREAS, the Daedalus TMS imagery, along with the other remotely sensed images, was collected in order to provide spatially extensive information over the primary study areas. This information includes detailed land cover, biophysical parameter maps such as fraction of Photosynthetically Active Radiation (fPAR) and Leaf Area Index (LAI), and surface thermal properties.

1.4 Summary of Parameters

Daedalus TMS level-0 image data in the BOREAS Information System (BORIS) contain the following parameters: original housekeeping and calibration information and bands 1-12 in the NASA Ames Research Center (ARC) Band Interleaved by Line (BIL) format.

1.5 Discussion

BORIS staff processed the Daedalus TMS level-0 images by:

- Extracting pertinent header information from the level-0 image product and placing it in an American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII) file on disk
- Reading the information in the disk file and loading the online data base with needed information

1.6 Related Data Sets

BOREAS Level-0 ER-2 Aerial Photography BOREAS Level-0 AOCI Imagery: Digital Counts in BIL Format BOREAS RSS-18 Level-1B AVIRIS Imagery: At-sensor Radiance in BIL Format

2. Investigator(s)

2.1 Investigator(s) Name and Title

BOREAS Staff Science

2.2 Title of Investigation

BOREAS Staff Science Aircraft Data Acquisition Program

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3. Theory of Measurements

The NASA Earth Resources Aircraft Program at Ames Research Center (ARC) operates the ER-2 aircraft to acquire data for Earth science research. The Daedalus TMS instrument used on the ER-2 aircraft collects radiance measurements in 10 spectral bands covering the visible and near-infrared spectrum from 0.436 to 1.054 micrometers (μ m) and two thermal-infrared bands (one set in high gain and the other in low gain) covering 8.5 to 14.0 μ m.

Thematic considerations have dictated, within technical constraints, the choice of spectral band position and width in the Daedalus TMS sensor. Twelve bands were selected, eight of which correspond to Landsat Thematic Mapper (TM) bands. These bands were chosen after many years of analysis for their value in discrimination of several Earth surface features. A blue (0.45 to 0.52 μ m) band provides increased penetration of water bodies as well as supporting analyses of land use, soil, and vegetation characteristics. The lower-wavelength cutoff is just below the peak transmittance of clear water, while the upper-wavelength cutoff is the limit of blue chlorophyll absorption for healthy green vegetation. Wavelengths below 0.45 μ m are substantially influenced by atmospheric scattering and absorption.

A green (0.52 to 0.60 μ m) band spans the region between the blue and red chlorophyll absorption bands and therefore corresponds to the green reflectance of healthy vegetation. A red (0.63 to 0.69 μ m) band includes the chlorophyll absorption band of healthy green vegetation and represents one of the most important bands for vegetation discrimination. The latter is also useful for soil and geological boundary delineations. A reflective-infrared (0.76 to 0.90 μ m) band is especially responsive to the amount of vegetation biomass present in a scene. It is useful for crop identification and emphasizes soil-crop and land-water contrasts.

One mid-infrared (1.55 to 1.75 µm) band is sensitive to the turgidity or amount of water in plants. Such information is useful in crop drought studies and in plant vigor investigations. In addition, these are two of the few bands that can be used to discriminate between clouds, snow, and ice, which is very important in hydrologic research. The other mid-infrared band (2.08 to 2.35 µm) is important for the discrimination of geologic rock formations. It has been shown to be particularly effective in identifying zones of hydrothermal alteration in rocks. Finally, the thermal-infrared (8.5 to 14.0 µm) band measures the amount of infrared radiant flux emitted from surfaces. The apparent temperature is a function of the emissivities and true or kinetic temperature of the surface. It is useful for locating geothermal activity, thermal inertia mapping for geologic investigations, vegetation classification, vegetation stress analysis, and soil moisture studies.

4. Equipment

4.1 Sensor/Instrument Description

The Daedalus TMS-1268 scanner is designed to simulate spectral, spatial, and radiometric characteristics of the TM sensor on the Landsat-4 and -5 spacecraft. The Daedalus TMS is generally flown at high altitudes aboard NASA's ER-2 aircraft based at ARC and provides 25-m resolution at nadir at an altitude of 19,800 m (65,000 ft).

The Daedalus TMS sensor differs slightly from the Landsat TM instruments. Its 12 spectral channels are very similar to those of the TM sensor, but it has an additional infrared channel. The 12 spectral channels of the Daedalus TMS sensor have the following bandpasses:

IS Channel	Wavele	enc	gth, μ m
	0.42	-	0.45
	0.45	-	0.52
	0.52	-	0.60
	0.60	-	0.62
	0.63	-	0.69
	0.69	-	0.75
	0.76	-	0.90
	0.91	-	1.05
	1.55	-	1.75
	2.08	-	2.35
high gain)	8.5	-	14.0
low gain)	8.5	-	14.0
	(high gain)	0.42 0.45 0.52 0.60 0.63 0.69 0.76 0.91 1.55 2.08	0.42 - 0.45 - 0.52 - 0.60 - 0.63 - 0.69 - 0.76 - 0.91 - 1.55 - 2.08 - Chigh gain) 8.5 -

4.1.1 Collection Environment

As part of the BOREAS Staff Science Data Collection Program, BORIS distributed 12-band level-0 Daedalus TMS image data. The Daedalus TMS was flown on NASA's ER-2 aircraft during the BOREAS mission (see the BOREAS Experiment Plan for flight pattern details and objectives). Maintenance and operation of the instrument are the responsibility of ARC. The ER-2 Experimenter's Handbook (supplemental) produced by the High Altitude Missions Branch at ARC provides a description of the instrument, calibration procedures, and data format.

4.1.2 Source/Platform

NASA's ER-2 Earth Resources Aircraft.

4.1.3 Source/Platform Mission Objectives

The original purpose of the Daedalus TMS was to provide high-altitude data in the visible, near-infrared, and thermal-infrared regions of the electromagnetic spectrum for use in land surface remote sensing and comparing with the Landsat TM instrument.

4.1.4 Key Variables

Emitted radiation, reflected radiation, and temperature.

4.1.5 Principles of Operation

None given.

4.1.6 Sensor/Instrument Measurement Geometry

Instantaneous Fie	ld-Of-View	(IFOV)	1.25	mrad
Total Scan Angle			42.5	degrees
Pixels/Scan Line			716	

Sensor footprint is 25.0 m x 25.0 m at nadir at 19,800 m altitude.

4.1.7 Manufacturer of Sensor/Instrument

Daedalus Enterprises Ann Arbor, Michigan

4.2 Calibration

4.2.1 Specifications

The wavelength ranges (in µm) of the bands for the Daedalus TMS are:

Daedalus TMS Channel	Wavelength, μ m
1	0.42 - 0.45
2 (TM1)	0.45 - 0.52
3 (TM2)	0.52 - 0.60
4	0.60 - 0.62
5 (TM3)	0.63 - 0.69
6	0.69 - 0.75
7 (TM4)	0.76 - 0.90
8	0.91 - 1.05
9 (TM5)	1.55 - 1.75
10 (TM7)	2.08 - 2.35
11 (TM6) (high gain)	8.5 - 14.0
12 (TM6) (low gain)	8.5 - 14.0
DESIGN DATA:	
IFOV	1.25 milliradians
Across-track FOV	+/- 21.25 degrees
Inflight calibration	Integrating sphere and two controllable blackbodies
Short wavelength array temperat	ure 255 K
V/H range	Variable 0.025 to 0.25
Scan rate	Variable 10 to 100 scans/se
Scan speed ability	One-third of the IFOV, scan line to scan line
Data quantization	8 bits (256 discrete levels for all bands
Number of video samples/scan li	ne 716
Roll compensation	+/-15 degrees
Scan mirror	45-degree rotating mirror

4.2.1.1 Tolerance

None given.

4.2.2 Frequency of Calibration

The ARC Sensor Calibration Laboratory measures the Spectral Response Function (SRF) of each band several times per year using a full-aperture scanning monochromator. Radiometric calibration is regularly performed using a 30-in. integrating sphere with a 12-in. exit aperture. The sphere is calibrated periodically against a National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) standard reference source. The SRF is then convolved with the measured sphere radiance to produce in-band radiance for bands 1-10. The thermal IR bands (11 and 12) are calibrated with the two onboard blackbody reference sources that are viewed before and after each scan line during the data acquisition, together with the SRF measured in the laboratory.

4.2.3 Other Calibration Information

Daedalus TMS data may be intentionally overscanned, e.g., operated at some integral multiple of the desired scan rate and then subsampled in preprocessing. The subsampling factor is reported as a "demagnification factor."

5. Data Acquisition Methods

As part of the BOREAS Staff Science Data Collection Program, BORIS distributed 12-band level-0 Daedalus TMS image data. The Daedalus TMS was flown on NASA's ER-2 aircraft during the BOREAS Mission (see the BOREAS Experiment Plan for flight pattern details and objectives). Maintenance and operation of the instrument are the responsibility of ARC. The ER-2 Experimenter's Handbook (supplemental) produced by the High Altitude Missions Branch at ARC provides a description of the instrument, calibration procedures, and data format.

6. Observations

6.1 Data Notes

None given.

6.2 Field Notes

None given.

7. Data Description

7.1 Spatial Characteristics

The BOREAS level-0 Daedalus TMS images cover the Southern Study Area (SSA) and the Northern Study Area (NSA), which are located in the southwest and northeast portions of the overall BOREAS region.

7.1.1 Spatial Coverage

The North American Datum of 1983 (NAD83) corner coordinates of the SSA are:

	Latitude	Longitude			
Northwest	54.321 N	106.228 W			
Northeast	54.225 N	104.237 W			
Southwest	53.515 N	106.321 W			
Southeast	53.420 N	104.368 W			

The NAD83 corner coordinates of the NSA are:

	Latitude	Longitude			
Northwest	56.249 N	98.825 W			
Northeast	56.083 N	97.234 W			
Southwest	55.542 N	99.045 W			
Southeast	55.379 N	97.489 W			

7.1.2 Spatial Coverage Map

Not available.

7.1.3 Spatial Resolution

The Daedalus TMS IFOV provides a footprint of 25.0 m at nadir at an altitude of 19,800 m, which was typical of the BOREAS flight.

7.1.4 Projection

The level-0 Daedalus TMS images were not placed in any sort of map or geographic coordinate projection.

7.1.5 Grid Description

The BOREAS level-0 Daedalus TMS images are stored in their original data collection frame with increasing pixel sizes from nadir to the scanning extremes based on the scan angle.

7.2 Temporal Characteristics

7.2.1 Temporal Coverage

The level-0 Daedalus TMS image data were collected on 16-Sep-1994 and 17-Sep-1994.

7.2.2 Temporal Coverage Map

7.2.3 Temporal Resolution

Images were acquired only on 16-Sep-1994 and 17-Sep-1994.

7.3 Data Characteristics

7.3.1 Parameter/Variable

The parameter contained in the image data files is: Digital Number (DN)

The parameters contained in the inventory listing file on the CD-ROM are:

```
Column Name
______
SPATIAL COVERAGE
DATE OBS
START TIME
END TIME
PLATFORM
INSTRUMENT
NUM BANDS
PLATFORM ALTITUDE
MIN SOLAR ZEN ANG
MAX SOLAR ZEN ANG
MIN SOLAR AZ ANG
MAX SOLAR AZ ANG
ER2 MISSION ID
BAND QUALITY
CLOUD COVER
DTMS MEAN FRAME STATUS
NW LATITUDE
NW LONGITUDE
NE LATITUDE
NE LONGITUDE
SW LATITUDE
SW LONGITUDE
SE LATITUDE
SE LONGITUDE
CRTFCN CODE
```

7.3.2 Variable Description/Definition

For the image data files:

Digital Number (DN) - The quantized DN derived by the Daedalus TMS scanning system for the respective channel.

The descriptions of the parameters contained in the inventory listing file on the CD-ROM are:

Column Name	Description
SPATIAL_COVERAGE	The general term used to denote the spatial area over which the data were collected.
DATE OBS	The date on which the data were collected.
START TIME	The starting Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) for the
_	data collected.
END_TIME	The ending Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) for the
	data collected.
PLATFORM	The object (e.g., satellite, aircraft, tower,
	person) that supported the instrument.
INSTRUMENT	The name of the device used to make the
	measurements.
NUM_BANDS	The number of spectral bands in the data.
PLATFORM_ALTITUDE	The nominal altitude of the data collection
MINI COLAD ZENI ANG	platform above the target.
MIN_SOLAR_ZEN_ANG	The minimum angle from the surface normal (straight up) to the sun during the data
	collection.
MAX SOLAR ZEN ANG	The maximum angle from the surface normal
1111_001111_11110	(straight up) to the sun during the data
	collection.
MIN SOLAR AZ ANG	The minimum azimuthal direction of the sun
	during data collection expressed in clockwise
	increments from North.
MAX_SOLAR_AZ_ANG	The maximum azimuthal direction of the sun
	during data collection expressed in clockwise
	increments from North.
ER2_MISSION_ID	The mission identifier assigned to the ER2
	mission in the form of YY-DDD where YY is the last
	two digits of the fiscal year, and DDD is the
DAND OUALTHY	deployment number. An example would be 94-120. The data analyst's assessment of the quality of
BAND_QUALITY	the spectral bands in the data.
CLOUD_COVER	The data analyst's assessment of the cloud cover
01002_00111	that exists in the data.
DTMS MEAN FRAME STATUS	The mean frame status calculated from the
	respective values on the digital tape of AOCI data
	collected during the given flight.
NW_LATITUDE	The NAD83 based latitude coordinate of the
	north west corner of the minimum bounding
	rectangle for the data.
NW_LONGITUDE	The NAD83 based longitude coordinate of the
	northwest corner of the minimum bounding rectangle
	for the data.
NE_LATITUDE	The NAD83 based latitude coordinate of the
	northeast corner of the minimum bounding rectangle

	for the data.
NE_LONGITUDE	The NAD83 based longitude coordinate of the
	northeast corner of the minimum bounding rectangle
	for the data.
SW_LATITUDE	The NAD83 based latitude coordinate of the
	southwest corner of the minimum bounding rectangle
	for the data.
SW_LONGITUDE	The NAD83 based longitude coordinate of the
	southwest corner of the minimum bounding rectangle
	for the data.
SE_LATITUDE	The NAD83 based latitude coordinate of the
	southeast corner of the minimum bounding rectangle
	for the data.
SE_LONGITUDE	The NAD83 based longitude coordinate of the
	southeast corner of the minimum bounding rectangle
	for the data.
CRTFCN_CODE	The BOREAS certification level of the data.
	Examples are CPI (Checked by PI), CGR (Certified
	by Group), PRE (Preliminary), and CPI-??? (CPI but
	questionable).

7.3.3 Unit of Measurement

For the image data files: Digital Number (DN) - counts

The measurement units for the parameters contained in the inventory listing file on the CD-ROM are:

Column Name	Units
SPATIAL COVERAGE	[none]
DATE OBS	[DD-MON-YY]
START TIME	[HHMM GMT]
END TIME	[HHMM GMT]
PLATFORM	[none]
INSTRUMENT	[none]
NUM BANDS	[counts]
PLATFORM ALTITUDE	[meters]
MIN SOLAR ZEN ANG	[degrees]
MAX SOLAR ZEN ANG	[degrees]
MIN_SOLAR_AZ_ANG	[degrees]
MAX_SOLAR_AZ_ANG	[degrees]
ER2_MISSION_ID	[none]
BAND_QUALITY	[none]
CLOUD_COVER	[none]
DTMS_MEAN_FRAME_STATUS	[unitless]
NW_LATITUDE	[degrees]
NW_LONGITUDE	[degrees]
NE_LATITUDE	[degrees]
NE_LONGITUDE	[degrees]
SW_LATITUDE	[degrees]
SW_LONGITUDE	[degrees]
SE_LATITUDE	[degrees]
SE_LONGITUDE	[degrees]
CRTFCN_CODE	[none]

7.3.4 Data Source

The level-0 AOCI image bands were collected by the Daedalus TMS instrument on the ER2 aircraft. The raw data were decommutated, processed, and sent to BORIS by personnel within the High Altitude Aircraft Branch at NASA ARC. The source of the parameter values contained in the inventory listing file on the CD-ROM are:

Column Name	Data Source			
SPATIAL_COVERAGE	[ER2 Flight Summary Reports and calculations within the BORIS software using information from the Daedalus TMS image data]			
DATE OBS	[DTMS image housekeeping data]			
START TIME	[DTMS image housekeeping data			
END TIME	[DTMS image housekeeping data]			
PLATFORM	[Constant software parameter value]			
INSTRUMENT	[Constant software parameter value]			
NUM BANDS	[Constant software parameter value]			
PLATFORM ALTITUDE	[ER2 Flight Summary Reports]			
MIN_SOLAR_ZEN_ANG	[Calculated from DATE_OBS, TIME_OBS, and latitude and longitude information]			
MAX_SOLAR_ZEN_ANG	[Calculated from DATE_OBS, TIME_OBS, and latitude and longitude information]			
MIN SOLAR AZ ANG	[Calculated from DATE OBS, TIME OBS, and			
	latitude and longitude information]			
MAX_SOLAR_AZ_ANG	[Calculated from DATE_OBS, TIME_OBS, and			
	latitude and longitude information]			
ER2_MISSION_ID	[ER2 Flight Summary Reports]			
BAND_QUALITY	[Constant software parameter value]			
CLOUD_COVER	[Constant software parameter value]			
DTMS_MEAN_FRAME_STATUS	[Calculated with software from the DTMS image housekeeping data]			
NW_LATITUDE	[Calculated from the nadir latitude and longitude, heading, and altitude information in the Flight Summary Report, the constant instrument scan angle, and mean aircraft roll angle calculated from the image housekeeping data]			
NW_LONGITUDE	[Calculated from the nadir latitude and longitude, heading, and altitude information in the Flight Summary Report, the constant instrument scan angle, and mean aircraft roll angle calculated from the image housekeeping data]			
NE_LATITUDE	[Calculated from the nadir latitude and longitude, heading, and altitude information in the Flight Summary Report, the constant instrument scan angle, and mean aircraft roll angle calculated from the image housekeeping data]			
NE_LONGITUDE	[Calculated from the nadir latitude and longitude, heading, and altitude information in the Flight Summary Report, the constant instrument scan angle, and mean aircraft roll angle calculated from the image housekeeping data]			
SW_LATITUDE	[Calculated from the nadir latitude and longitude, heading, and altitude information in the Flight Summary Report, the constant instrument scan			

	angle, and mean aircraft roll angle calculated
	from the image housekeeping data]
SW_LONGITUDE	[Calculated from the nadir latitude and longitude,
	heading, and altitude information in the Flight
	Summary Report, the constant instrument scan
	angle, and mean aircraft roll angle calculated
	from the image housekeeping data]
SE_LATITUDE	[Calculated from the nadir latitude and longitude,
	heading, and altitude information in the Flight
	Summary Report, the constant instrument scan
	angle, and mean aircraft roll angle calculated
	from the image housekeeping data]
SE_LONGITUDE	[Calculated from the nadir latitude and longitude,
	heading, and altitude information in the Flight
	Summary Report, the constant instrument scan
	angle, and mean aircraft roll angle calculated
	from the image housekeeping data]
CRTFCN CODE	[Constant data base value]

7.3.5 Data Range

The maximum range of DNs in each level-0 Daedalus TMS image band is limited from 0 to 255 8 bits and is stored in an 8 bit (byte) field. The following table gives information about the parameter values found in the inventory table on the CD-ROM.

	Minimum	Maximum	_		Below	Data
	Data	Data			Detect	
Column Name	Value 	Value 	Value 	Value	Limit	Cllctd
SPATIAL_COVERAGE			None	None	None	None
DATE_OBS		17-SEP-94	None	None	None	None
START_TIME	1525	1917	None	None	None	None
END_TIME	1528	1919	None	None	None	None
PLATFORM	ER2	ER2	None	None	None	None
INSTRUMENT	N/A	N/A	None	None	None	None
NUM_BANDS	12	12	None	None	None	None
PLATFORM_ALTITUDE	19294	20117	None	None	None	None
MIN_SOLAR_ZEN_ANG	67.4	70.7	None	None	None	None
MAX_SOLAR_ZEN_ANG	67.7	71	None	None	None	None
MIN_SOLAR_AZ_ANG	278.2	282.5	None	None	None	None
MAX_SOLAR_AZ_ANG		283	None	None	None	None
ER2_MISSION_ID	94-142	94-143	None	None	None	None
BAND_QUALITY	N/A	N/A	None	None	None	None
CLOUD_COVER	N/A	N/A	None	None	None	None
DTMS_MEAN_FRAME_	0	0	None	None	None	None
STATUS						
NW_LATITUDE	53.30309	56.11041	None	None	None	None
NW_LONGITUDE	-106.37569	-98.07578	None	None	None	None
NE_LATITUDE	53.29144	56.07513	None	None	None	None
NE_LONGITUDE	-106.05544	-97.73023	None	None	None	None
SW_LATITUDE	53.04724	55.78351	None	None	None	None
SW_LONGITUDE	-106.45527	-98.17967	None	None	None	None
SE_LATITUDE	53.03523	55.75309	None	None	None	None
SE_LONGITUDE	-106.14049	-97.83677	None	None	None	None
CRTFCN_CODE	PRE	PRE	None	None	None	None

Minimum Data Value -- The minimum value found in the column.

Maximum Data Value -- The maximum value found in the column.

Missng Data Value -- The value that indicates missing data. This is used to indicate that an attempt was made to determine the parameter value, but the attempt was unsuccessful.

Unrel Data Value -- The value that indicates unreliable data. This is used to indicate an attempt was made to determine the parameter value, but the value was deemed to be

unreliable by the analysis personnel.

Below Detect Limit -- The value that indicates parameter values below the instruments detection limits. This is used to indicate that an attempt was made to determine the

parameter value, but the analysis personnel determined that the parameter value was below the detection

limit of the instrumentation.

Data Not Cllctd -- This value indicates that no attempt was made to

determine the parameter value. This usually indicates that BORIS combined several similar but not identical data sets into the same data base table but this particular science team did not

measure that parameter.

Blank -- Indicates that blank spaces are used to denote that type of value.

N/A -- Indicates that the value is not applicable to the respective column.

None -- Indicates that no values of that sort were found in the column.

7.4 Sample Data Record

A sample data record for the level-0 Daedalus TMS images is not available here. The following are wrapped versions of the first few records from the level-0 Daedalus TMS inventory table on the CD-ROM:

SPATIAL_COVERAGE, DATE_OBS, START_TIME, END_TIME, PLATFORM, INSTRUMENT, NUM_BANDS, PLATFORM_ALTITUDE, MIN_SOLAR_ZEN_ANG, MAX_SOLAR_ZEN_ANG, MIN_SOLAR_AZ_ANG, MAX_SOLAR_AZ_ANG, ER2_MISSION_ID, BAND_QUALITY, CLOUD_COVER, DTMS_MEAN_FRAME_STATUS, NW_LATITUDE, NW_LONGITUDE, NE_LATITUDE, NE_LONGITUDE, SW_LATITUDE, SW_LONGITUDE, SE_LATITUDE, SE_LATITUDE, CRITCO CODE

'SSA',16-SEP-94,1638,1641,'ER2','DTMS',12,19355.0,68.0,68.3,278.9,279.2,'94-142',
'NOT ASSESSED','NOT ASSESSED',0,53.35978,-105.81133,53.34787,-105.55107,53.12695,
-105.84026,53.11511,-105.58145,'PRE'

'SSA',16-SEP-94,1647,1653,'ER2','DTMS',12,19538.0,68.7,69.2,279.7,280.4,'94-142',
'NOT ASSESSED','NOT ASSESSED',0,54.22481,-104.62804,54.20971,-104.35274,
53.7896,4,-104.69562,53.7747,-104.4232,'PRE'

8. Data Organization

8.1 Data Granularity

The smallest unit of level-0 Daedalus TMS data is a single flight line of data. Although the image inventory is contained on the BOREAS CD-ROM set, the actual level-0 DTMS images are not. See Section 15 for information about how to obtain the data.

8.2 Data Format(s)

A level-0 Daedalus TMS tape contains one header file followed by up to 50 files containing data from Daedalus TMS flight lines. The header file contains one record of 9,192 bytes that contain a mixture of ASCII and binary values. The multibyte integer fields are stored as high-order byte first. The contents of the header record fields are:

Bytes	Description
1 - 80	Data Description (ASCII characters, e.g., 'TMS (BOREAS) Canada')
81 - 90	Flight Number (ASCII characters, e.g., 94-143)
91 - 120	Data Collection Date (ASCII characters, e.g., 16 SEPTEMBER 1994)
121 - 150	Data Decommutation Date (ASCII characters)
151 - 180	Archive Tape Creation Date (ASCII characters)
181 - 182	Aircraft Number (binary 16-bit integer, value of 708)
183 - 184	Scanner Type (ASCII characters)
185 - 186	Reel Number (binary 16-bit integer)
187 - 188	Expected Number of Reels (binary 16-bit integer)
189 - 198	Filler bytes
199 - 200	Number of Channels Processed (binary 16-bit integer)
201 - 224	Channel Numbers (binary 16-bit integers)
225 - 236	Filler bytes
237 - 238	Mode used to specify flight line boundaries (ASCII characters) (AL = all data contained in one flight line) (SL = selected scan lines) (BOREAS tape) (GM = selected times)
239 - 240	Number of Operator-specified flight line intervals (binary 16-bit integer)
241 - 244	Start of flight line interval number 1 (binary 32-bit integer)
245 - 248	Start of flight line interval number 2 (binary 32-bit integer)
437 - 440	Start of flight line interval number 50 (binary 32-bit integer)
441 - 444	End of flight line interval number 1 (binary 32-bit integer)
445 - 448	End of flight line interval number 2 (binary 32-bit integer)
637 - 640	End of flight line interval number 50 (binary 32-bit integer)
641 - 9192	Filler bytes

Each level-0 Daedalus TMS image from a given flight is contained in one tape file. A physical tape record of 9,192 bytes contains 12 logical records of 766 bytes that contain housekeeping information (50 bytes) and the image data (716 bytes) from the 12 Daedalus TMS spectral bands in BIL order. The bytes of the 16-bit and 32-bit values in the housekeeping information are ordered as high-order byte first. The detailed structure of each logical record is:

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Bytes 1 - 50 Housekeeping Information
               Data Frame Status (16-bit integer)
               0 implies the data are good; nonzero implies they are bad.
               10 Interpolated data
               20 Repeated data
               30 Zero fill data
    3 - 4
               Run Number (16-bit integer)
    5 - 8
               Scan line count (32-bit integer)
    9 - 12
               Panel Thumbwheel switches (32-bit integer)
               Consists of 8 digits in the form YYFFFJJJ
               where YY is the last two digits of the year (e.g., 94)
                    FFF is the flight number (e.g., 120)
                    JJJ is the day of the year (e.g., 202)
   13 - 14
               Blackbody #1 Thermal Reference Temperature (16-bit integer)
               (hundredths of degrees C)
   15 - 16
               Blackbody #2 Thermal Reference Temperature (16-bit integer)
               (hundredths of degrees C)
   17 - 18
               Scan Speed (16-bit integer) (tenths of scans per second)
  19 - 20
               Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) hours (16-bit integer)
  21 - 22
               Minutes of the hour (16-bit integer)
   23 - 24
               Tenths of seconds (16-bit integer)
   25 - 26
               Demagnification value * 100 (16-bit integer)
               (Set to 100 to indicate unity, i.e., no demagnification)
   27 - 28
               Filler (16-bit integer)
  29 - 30
               Gain Value (times 1000) (16-bit integer)
   31 - 32
               Channel Number (16-bit integer)
   33 - 36
               Time (32-bit integer)
               (7 digits in the form of hhmmsst where hh is the hour,
               mm is the minutes, ss is the seconds, and t is the tenths
               of a second)
   37 - 38
               Blackbody #1 Response (16-bit integer) (Counts)
               (What the sensor sees when it looks at Blackbody #1)
   39 - 40
               Blackbody #2 Response (16-bit integer) (Counts)
               (What the sensor sees when it looks at Blackbody #2)
   41 - 42
               Aircraft Roll angle counts (16-bit integer)
               (0.03 degrees per count or 0.06 degrees per pixel)
               (Positive values indicate rotation of the aircraft in a
               clockwise direction when viewed from the front;
               negative values indicate counterclockwise rotation)
               Filler bytes
   43 - 50
Bytes 51 - 766 Binary Image data
               Digital counts for pixels 1 to 716 of the scan line (8-bit)
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The CD-ROM inventory listing file consists of numerical and character fields of varying length separated by commas. The character fields are enclosed with single apostrophe marks. There are no spaces between the fields.

9. Data Manipulations

9.1 Formulae

None.

9.1.1 Derivation Techniques and Algorithms

None.

9.2 Data Processing Sequence

9.2.1 Processing Steps

BORIS staff processed the level-0 Daedalus TMS imagery by:

- Creating duplicate copies of the original image data tapes
- Extracting information from the tape to ASCII files on disk
- Using the extracted ASCII disk file information to inventory the images by date and location in the online data base

9.2.2 Processing Changes

None.

9.3 Calculations

9.3.1 Special Corrections/Adjustments

None given.

9.3.2 Calculated Variables

None.

9.4 Graphs and Plots

None.

10. Errors

10.1 Sources of Error

None given.

10.2 Quality Assessment

10.2.1 Data Validation by Source

Spectral errors could arise because of image-wide signal-to-noise ratio, saturation, cross-talk, spikes, or response normalization caused by a change in gain.

10.2.2 Confidence Level/Accuracy Judgment

None given.

10.2.3 Measurement Error for Parameters

None given.

10.2.4 Additional Quality Assessments

None given.

10.2.5 Data Verification by Data Center

BORIS staff reviewed the Daedalus TMS images through software that summarized the housekeeping information in the records of each flight line and histogrammed the image bands to gather minimum, maximum, mean, and standard deviation values, which were then reviewed before loading the information into the data base. No anomalous values were noted.

11. Notes

11.1 Limitations of the Data

Not available at this revision.

11.2 Known Problems with the Data

To date, no discrepancies or problems have been noted in the data.

11.3 Usage Guidance

Not available at this revision.

11.4 Other Relevant Information

None given.

12. Application of the Data Set

This data set can be used to supplement Landsat TM or other high-resolution satellite images for land cover analyses.

13. Future Modifications and Plans

None.

14. Software

14.1 Software Description

BORIS staff developed software and command procedures for:

- Extracting header information from level-0 Daedalus TMS images on tape and writing it to ASCII files on disk
- Reading the ASCII disk file and logging the level-0 Daedalus TMS image products into the Oracle data base tables

14.2 Software Access

The software is written in C and is operational on VAX 6410 and MicroVAX 3100 systems at Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC). The primary dependencies in the software are the tape input/output (I/O) library and the Oracle data base utility routines.

15. Data Access

The level-0 Daedalus TMS imagery is available from the Earth Observing System Data and Information System (EOSDIS) Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) Distributed Active Archive Center (DAAC).

15.1 Contact Information

For BOREAS data and documentation please contact:

ORNL DAAC User Services Oak Ridge National Laboratory P.O. Box 2008 MS-6407 Oak Ridge, TN 37831-6407 Phone: (423) 241-3952

Fax: (423) 574-4665

E-mail: ornldaac@ornl.gov or ornl@eos.nasa.gov

15.2 Data Center Identification

Earth Observing System Data and Information System (EOSDIS) Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) Distributed Active Archive Center (DAAC) for Biogeochemical Dynamics http://www-eosdis.ornl.gov/.

15.3 Procedures for Obtaining Data

Users may obtain data directly through the ORNL DAAC online search and order system [http://www-eosdis.ornl.gov/] and the anonymous FTP site [ftp://www-eosdis.ornl.gov/data/] or by contacting User Services by electronic mail, telephone, fax, letter, or personal visit using the contact information in Section 15.1.

15.4 Data Center Status/Plans

The ORNL DAAC is the primary source for BOREAS field measurement, image, GIS, and hardcopy data products. The BOREAS CD-ROM and data referenced or listed in inventories on the CD-ROM are available from the ORNL DAAC.

16. Output Products and Availability

16.1 Tape Products

The BOREAS level-0 Daedalus TMS data can be made available on 1600 or 6250 Bytes Per Inch (BPI) Digital Archive Tape (DAT), 9-track, or 8-mm tapes.

16.2 Film Products

None.

16.3 Other Products

Although the image inventory is contained on the BOREAS CD-ROM set, the actual level-0 DTMS images are not. See Section 15 for information about how to obtain the data.

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17.3 Archive/DBMS Usage Documentation None.

18. Glossary of Terms

None given.

19. List of Acronyms

AOCI - Airborne Ocean Color Imager

ARC - Ames Research Center

ASCII - American Standard Code for Information Interchange AVIRIS - Airborne Visible and Infrared Imaging Spectrometer

BIL - Band Interleaved by Line

BOREAS - BOReal Ecosystem-Atmosphere Study

BORIS - BOREAS Information System

BPI - Bytes Per Inch CCT - Computer Compatible Tape CD-ROM - Compact Disk-Read-Only Memory DAAC - Distributed Active Archive Center

DAT - Digital Archive Tape

DN - Digital Number

DTMS - Daedalus Thematic Mapper Simulator

EOS - Earth Observing System

EOSDIS - EOS Data and Information System

fPAR - fraction of Photosynthetically Active Radiation

GIS - Geographic Information System

GMT - Greenwich Mean Time

GSFC - Goddard Space Flight Center IFOV - Instantaneous Field-of-View
I/O - Input/Output
LAI - Leaf Area Index
NAD - North American Datum of 1983

NASA - National Aeronautics and Space Administration NIST - National Institute of Standards and Technology

NSA - Northern Study Area

ORNL - Oak Ridge National Laboratory
PANP - Prince Albert National Park
RSS - Remote Sensing Science
SRF - Spectral Response Function
SSA - Southern Study Area
TM - Thematic Mapper

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